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Fiesta for the best of ya

Downtown festival promotes Mexican food and culture **Organizer says four contests are the day's highlight**

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Do you scarf down jalapeños for breakfast and feel like yelling as loud as you can when hearing a Mexican mariachi band?

If so, a trip to the Covent Garden Market on Sunday may be in order as the Fiesta London Mexican Festival is set to debut.

"It's a celebration of Hispanic heritage here in London," said organizer George Perez. "For those who want to remember an encounter with, or enjoy more about, Mexican culture, this is the moment to do it."

While the festival will feature music, food and craft vendors, Perez told metronews.ca that the highlight will be four contests with a prize of $150 for each winner.

A taco-eating contest: How fast can you devour 10 authentic Mexican tacos?

Jalapeño eating: Ten contestants see how quickly they can eat jalapeño peppers. "We provide some Pepto Bismol to everyone!" said Perez.

El Grito Mexicano contest, or Mexican cheering: "When you hear the mariachi singing and all of a sudden the singer will let out a loud cry, that's what we're talking about."

Mucho Macho contest: Go head-to-head with a personal trainer and see if you can match them on pushups, situps and other exercises.

The winner receives personal training classes.

"We open the festival season in London, and there's nothing like this even going on in the GTA."
FIESTA LONDON ORGANIZER GEORGE PEREZ

KYLE REA/METRO

George Perez, organizer of the Fiesta London Mexican Festival, along with Miriam Nixon, left, and Anna Perez, prepares to chomp down on a jalapeño pepper. The festival is Sunday at the Covent Garden Market.

It's here!

- Fiesta London was formerly called Cinco de Mayo and held at the beginning of May. Organizers shifted the month, citing better weather.
- The festival runs 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For a complete schedule of events, visit fiestalondon.lajornada.ca.
- In years past, the festival has drawn as many as 5,000 people.
- It's not only for Hispanic people — last year, 40 per cent of visitors were non-Hispanic, Perez estimates.

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London's UFC fighter Sam Stout talks about being in Vancouver for UFC 131 and a little thing called the Stanley Cup final. Story at metronews.ca

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Great big. Thank you

▶ This year's winners of the London Health Sciences Centre's President's Awards receive their trophies from president and CEO Bonnie Adamson, left, and board chair Peter Johnson, second from right. The winners, holding statuettes, are, from left, Sue Brighton, Chris Harris, Catherine Glover and Mary Ellen Adams. Absent is Dr. Christopher Fernandes.

KATHY STUART

They're called to serve

London Health Sciences Centre announced the winners of the 2011 President's Awards yesterday. The tributes are given each year to people working in health services who demonstrate a commitment to community service, living core values, leadership and innovation.

Say cheese: Non-drivers to get photo ID card

Province rolling out new card at limited Service Ontario centres on July 25 Indentification to be available across the province next year

MARIA BABBAGE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

After a three-year wait, the province unveiled a new photo ID card on Thursday for more than a million Ontarians who don't have a driver's licence. But the card won't allow them to cross the U.S. border.

Transportation Minister Kathleen Wynne acknowledged the ID card was a long time coming. Her 55-year-old sister doesn't drive and needs some other form of government-issued ID, she said.

"The reality is that there are many people who either choose not to, or do not have, a driver's licence," she said. "So simple transactions like opening a bank account, applying for a loan, making a purchase or simply showing identification in order to be able to vote becomes complicated."

The purple card, which costs $35 and is valid for five years, won't have any Braille, but it will include raised lettering and a corner cut to make it easier for the visually impaired to find it in their wallet.

Ontario residents who are 16 years or older can apply for the card at some 20 Service Ontario centres starting July 25, and at all 300 locations next year, Wynne said.

Applicants must provide original identity documents that prove legal name, date of birth and signature, such as a birth certificate.

The province had also promised an enhanced photo ID card that could be used instead of a passport to drive to the United States, but Wynne says it has been put on hold because it's too costly.

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To market we will go

Get out your harvest baskets: The grand opening of the Southdale Farmers' and Artisans' Market is on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Residents of the Westminster neighbourhood and London's farmers' markets have partnered with the Child and Youth Network (CYN) in this pilot project. The goal is to promote healthy eating and physical activity.

Jon-Paul McGonigle, CYN project manager, said a big part of his group's discussions with the community was that people want to able to buy fresh fruit and vegetables.

"They told us that easy access to healthy food is essential in assisting families in making healthier food choices," he said.

Roughly 70 residents from Westminster have worked with the CYN to build a neighbourhood action plan.

MARINA BRKLJACA

Farm fresh

- **The Southdale Farmers'** and Artisans' Market is at Southdale Road East and Adelaide Street South.
- **Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** every Sunday through Thanksgiving (weather permitting).

Charges laid after downtown shooting

A 31-year-old Welland man faces charges after someone fired a gun in the area of Richmond and Kent streets, near Victoria Park, around 2:30 a.m. Wednesday. Police arrested a male in the area of Wellington Road and Commissioners and recovered a nine-millimetre pistol. No one was injured.

Carlton Stewart is charged with possession of a dangerous weapon and a loaded gun without a licence, among other charges. Police continue to investigate. METRO

Officials on alert for E. coli

The Middlesex-London Health Unit, working with local doctors and hospitals, is keeping its eyes peeled for cases of E. coli linked to a deadly outbreak in Germany.

Dan Flaherty, spokesman for the agency, said health units were put on alert by Ontario's Ministry of Health this week when a Peel man tested positive for the deadly strain. "We're doing exactly the same as everyone else," Flaherty said.

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Londoner nabs Rogers award

Rogers TV, Cable 13 was a winner at the 13th annual Impression Awards, held Tuesday night in Toronto. London producer Marilyn Buggy received the best-new-series award for High School Backstage, which premiered last February.

In the 16 half-hour episodes, cameras followed more than 180 students and the performing-arts teachers at three schools from the Thames Valley District School Board, as they prepared to stage their annual theatre productions. METRO

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THE COMPETITION HAS NOTHING ON MAJORS' FACILITY

LIFE WITH THE MAJORS

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MAJORS PITCHER AND IBL INSIDER

Although I can be easily accused of bias, I wholeheartedly believe that the London Majors play in the best facilities in the IBL. And after travelling to a couple of road games, I don't think the competition is even close.

Labatt Park itself is a first-rate field and the grandstands make for a tremendous game atmosphere, but it's the area that the public doesn't see that I'm most enamoured with: the clubhouse.

When I first stepped through the threshold of the locker room at the start of the season, I felt like I was in Oz, taking a peek behind the curtain at the Wizard. I was shocked at what lay before my eyes.

It looked like an MLB clubhouse.

Each player has their own locker and cubby, with a bold-faced nameplate above each stall.

I'm used to stripping down on the bench or changing in a cramped, foul-smelling public washroom. Having my own space to put my uniform on is a luxury.

The clubhouse is spacious, completely carpeted and kept impeccably clean. There is even a lounge area with couches and recliners to relax and unwind on during the calm before the first-pitch storm.

The majority of the team, with a plethora of professional and U.S.-college experience, is used to such treatment. Conversely, I don't feel like I deserve such amenities. When I first joined the Majors, I kept looking over my shoulder waiting for someone to tell me to go change outside.

It's like that old Sesame Street song: One of these things is not like the other …

Nevertheless, having a great clubhouse is one of the many perks of being a Major. It's also as close as I'll get to a major league clubhouse without having a restraining order filed against me.

Batter up

The Majors are 7-1, tied for first place in the IBL.

- We play three home games this weekend: Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m.
- Sunday's game is the Sifton Pack the Park Fundraiser for the Sunshine Foundation. Come out and support it.

News in brief

Car rolls over after failing to stop

A female driver has been charged with failing to stop for a red light after a single-car accident put a car upside down in a ditch Wednesday afternoon.

Around 12:35 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Parkway and Trafalgar Street, police found a black Honda Pilot upside down in the ditch, with the driver still in the car. Fire Rescue removed her from the car and Thames Valley Ambulance brought her to hospital with minor injuries. METRO

KYLE REA/METRO

▶ Rocio Illera and Alex Beaton take advantage of a warm Thursday morning by basking in the sun in Ivey Park. While warm weather may prompt many people to get out and enjoy themselves, using sunscreen or protective clothing is a good idea if you want to quite literally save your skin.

The skinny on your skin

Have fun in the sun, but don't take the harm of UV rays for granted

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After a long winter and rainy spring, the arrival of summer and all the warmth and sunny skies means it's time to get outside and have a blast.

But while there's nothing wrong with having fun in the sun, failing to protect yourself could mean bad things down the road — namely, the big C.

"We're looking forward to enjoying the outdoors each season because they are so short, but how do you do that safely and have the most fun you can?" said Kaylene McKinnon, public health nurse with the Middlesex-London Health Unit.

The key is protecting yourself from dangerous UV rays, which can lead to skin cancer.

McKinnon recommended wearing a sunscreen with an SPF (sun protection factor) of 15 or higher, or wearing clothing. A cotton T-shirt can provide as much protection as an SPF 15 sunblock, while denim jeans have an SPF value of 1,500.

While it may feel good to go without sunscreen to perfect that tan, or merely to avoid the mess that often comes with greasy sun protection, it's not a good idea.

Statistics for 2010 show skin cancer is now the No. 2 form of cancer for people between the ages of 15 to 29.

"They're not protecting themselves from the sun," McKinnon said. "Skin cancer, to me, it's a no-brainer because it's the only one that's largely preventable. It's treatable if caught early and it's visible."

What SPF are you?

- Sunscreen and sun blocks absorbs harmful ultraviolet rays from the sun, which can damage the DNA in our skin cells and lead to cancer.
- While having a tan may be attractive, it's a sign of skin damage. A sunburn means serious damage has been done to our skin.
- Have a darker complexion and think you're protected? Think again, said McKinnon. Caucasians have a maximum skin SPF of 2 to 4, olive and brown skin complexions 3 to 5 and dark-skinned tones up to 7. "The naturally occurring darkest person in the world has a natural sun protection of SPF of 6, maybe 7."

Reader tweets

We asked our readers what are their three essential items to enjoy a trip to the beach. Here's what you said:

- **@asbest0s:** Hats, sunscreen, and towels!
- **@jenptin:** birks, sunglasses, sunscreen!
- **@ColinSzemenyei:** 3 Coronas?
- **@ekksteisi:** portable speakers, ice cold coolers and my best friends, of course.
- **@WhiteCabana:** Sunscreen. Panama Hat. Water.
- **@averysimplegirl:** My iPod, sunscreen and a book!
- **@RestosLdnOnt:** pushups, frisbee & cute puppy or baby
- **@edjackman:** Friends, frisbee & beverages.
- **@Bridget238:** 1) White floppy hat, Carrie Bradshawe style! 2) LOTS of sunscreen 3) Sunglasses
- **@miss_janet_a:** SPF 90, water and an amazing book!!
- **@Labtech67:** cooler full of drinks, a big umbrella and of course sunblock!
- **@aaron_robb:** Book, dog, beautiful wife. :)
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AG blasts Tories over G8 secrecy

Auditors couldn't find documents about how projects were chosen for funding Public servants had no input

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▶ Media follow Tony Clement, president of the Treasury Board and minister for the Federal Economic Development Initiative for northern Ontario, as he leaves a news conference after commenting on the auditor general's report in Ottawa on Thursday.

The wording has been softened but the auditor general's verdict remains much the same: the Harper government kept Parliament in the dark about a $50-million G8 fund that sprayed money on dubious projects in a cabinet minister's riding.

The final report on the G8 legacy infrastructure fund concludes that the government "did not clearly or transparently" identify how the money was going to be spent when it sought parliamentary approval for the funding.

Moreover, the report criticizes the unprecedented lack of documentation to explain how and why 32 infrastructure projects in the Parry Sound-Muskoka region were selected to get the government largesse.

"It is very unusual and troubling. There is no paper trail behind the selection of the 32 projects."

INTERIM AUDITOR GENERAL JOHN WIERSEMA

In a separate chapter of the report, the auditor general says spending on operations and security for both the G8 and G20 meetings in Ontario was presented piecemeal to Parliament instead of in a package, leaving MPs poorly informed about total costs.

But in one bright spot, the report says it seems the initially budgeted $1.1 billion for the summits will actually come in around $664 million because poor planning forced departments to create contingency funds that were not needed.

The final report does not contain the inflammatory language used in a January draft by former auditor general Sheila Fraser, which baldly asserted the government had "misinformed" Parliament.

The report details how, in November 2009, the government tabled supplementary estimates in which it asked Parliament to approve $83 million for a border infrastructure fund aimed at reducing congestion at border crossings.

Parliament was not told that $50 million of that money was to be devoted to infrastructure projects hundreds of kilometres from the Canada-U.S. border — in Tory MP Tony Clement's riding.

Wiersema said the word "misinformed" was excised in the report's final version because auditors saw no evidence to suggest the government was deliberately trying to mislead Parliament. Rather, he said, the misrepresentation in the estimates appeared to have been done "for matters of expediency."

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MacKay reveals Libya price tag so far: $26M

Extending Canada's military mission in Libya could come with a $60 million price tag.

Defence Minister Peter MacKay has revealed the cost of Canada's participation in the NATO-led offensive to topple Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi.

The mission cost Canadians about $26 million to June 2, MacKay said Thursday at a NATO meeting in Brussels. The Defence Department in Ottawa had rebuffed previous requests to make public the incremental cost of the mission.

The Canadian Forces are contributing 650 personnel along with fighter jets, a warship HMCS Charlottetown and surveillance planes to the UN-approved mission to protect civilians from the Gadhafi regime.

The government will introduce a motion in Parliament next week to extend the mission another three and a half months — to the end of September 2011 — which will more than double the current cost.

Flight missions

- **Canada's CF-18 fighter jets** have flown more than 1,750 hours while completing more than 360 attack missions, Minister of Defence Peter MacKay said.
- **Maritime patrol aircraft** have flown more than 530 hours on 65 missions, MacKay said.

"Simply put, Canada's leadership in this mission has protected civilians and saved thousands of civilian in Libya," McKay said in a statement.

So far, the NATO bombardment has failed to unseat Gadhafi, whose forces have fought back in recent days with a counteroffensive on the western city of Misrata.

Gadhafi's forces launched an attack on Misrata on Wednesday, killing at least 10 rebels.

The NATO bombardment continued Thursday with another round of air attacks on the outskirts of the capital, Tripoli.

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▶ Fans react as they watch Game 4 of the Stanley Cup Final in down town Vancouver Wednesday.

FAIR-WEATHER FANS TURNING SOUR

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HOME ICE ADVANTAGE

After back-to-back maulings at the hands of the Bruins in Boston, the mood in Vancouver Thursday morning was as grey and dismal as the weather.

Vancouver has long had a reputation of being a bandwagon city. When the team is playing well, fans are giddy, loud and a little obnoxious. When the team plays poorly, fans are quick to turn on them.

Fans who gathered at Rogers Arena to watch Game 4 on the centre ice scoreboard Thursday night awarded top goalie-candidate Roberto Luongo a Bronx cheer when he was yanked after four goals.

Personally, I think he was pulled four periods too late.

JEFF HODSON IS MANAGING EDITOR OF METRO VANCOUVER

Homeless man loses battle against cancer

- Brother was at his side, after 33 years apart
- Terry Pettigrew lived at Calgary's Drop-In Centre for four years

A homeless Calgary man who became a minor celebrity when he asked to go to Mardi Gras after being diagnosed with cancer has died.

Terry Pettigrew became too sick and never actually went on the trip, despite having someone offer to pay for his fare. The media attention, however, led to a reunion with his long-lost brother. In the weeks leading up to his death, the pain resulted in Pettigrew being unable to walk and he was moved to a hospice on May 13.

"It was a sad day. I was the one that had to take him up in the cab," said Christa Bistretzan, a medical service assistant and close friend of Pettigrew's. "He was full of emotion because that was the first step towards death." With his older brother Larry at his bedside, Pettigrew died of Stage 3 squamous cancer on the morning of May 31. He was 58. KATIE TURNER

Last days

- Watch a video interview with Terry Pettigrew at metronews.ca.

HOW TERRY CHANGED ME

KATIE TURNER

There are certain instances in life where something clicks inside you and you know your life has changed.

Terry Pettigrew was in his bunk bed when I went up to meet him. "Tell her if she wants to talk to me she's going to have to come closer," Pettigrew told a worker. "I don't bite."

From there on out, my interactions with him were full of humour, honesty and an unparalleled sense of kindness.

He often touted that he was just a grumpy old pervert, but the truth is, he would willingly give you the shirt off his back.

He mentioned several times that his goal was to leave a positive stamp on the earth. Mission accomplished, Terry.

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Microsoft to pay millions to T.O. firm

Seattle company now sells versions of Word without disputed technology Landmark case in patent law

Canadian software company i4i Inc. has emerged the victor in a patent battle with tech super-heavyweight Microsoft after the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a judgment that i4i be paid $290 million US for patent infringement.

The high court on Thursday refused to throw out an earlier ruling that found the world's largest software maker wilfully infringed on a patent in its Microsoft Word software and ordered it to pay $290 million to i4i and to stop selling versions containing the infringing technology.

Patent battles

- Toronto-based i4i sued Microsoft in 2007, saying it owned the technology behind a tool used in Microsoft Word.
- The technology in question gave Word 2003 and Word 2007 users an improved way to edit XML, which is a code that tells the program how to interpret and display a document's contents.

The landmark decision has broad implications for the patent world as it essentially upholds the basis for many years of U.S. patent decisions.

"It's one of the most important business cases the U.S. Supreme Court has decided in decades," said i4i chairman Louden Owen.

"Microsoft's appeal and, along with their gang of supporters who decided they would file on their behalf, were taking great strides to try to throw a lot of uncertainty into the system," he said from Toronto.

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▶ In this product image provided by Ford, the C-MAX Hybrid, a next-generation full hybrid version of the five-passenger multi-activity vehicle, is shown.

Meet Ford's van with a hybrid plan

Ford is making a minivan that will become its first U.S. vehicle sold only as a hybrid.

Ford sells hybrid versions of some gas-powered cars, but it's got nothing like the Toyota Prius, which is only sold as a hybrid.

Ford's minivan is based on a five-passenger van, the C-Max, which is already sold in Europe but runs on gasoline.

Ford had planned to introduce a seven-passenger, gas-powered C-Max in the U.S. next year. But it's scrapping that so it can build more hybrid-only C-Maxes. The van goes on sale next year.

The minivan will get more than 17.4 kilometres per litre. A plug-in version will also be sold. It will be similar to the Chevrolet Volt, which can drive in all-electric mode but has a backup gas engine.

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Private radio profits show major boost

A new report says private radio broadcasters recorded higher profit margins and raked in more revenue last year.

Statistics Canada says the operating revenues reached $1.6 billion in 2010, up 3.2 per cent from 2009. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Dollarama taking in more loonies

Dollarama Inc. reported a big increase in revenue Thurday.

The retailer said net earnings in its fiscal first quarter were $30.4 million, or 40 cents per share, compared with $22.5 million in the same year-earlier period. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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TV networks up online ad ante

One of the rewards of watching TV online is not having to sit through as many commercials. Now the networks are chipping away at that little luxury.

CBS shows twice as many ads per show on its website as it did last year. The CW network shows four times as many. Dozens of shows from major cable networks now carry as many ads online as they do on TV. More shows will follow soon.

The online audience is still small compared with television, but it's growing. Networks hope that by showing more ads, they can make about as much money per viewer online as they do on the tube.

It's a change from the early days of online video. When ABC started putting full episodes of its shows online in 2006, fans could zip through the hour-long dramas Lost and Desperate Housewives in about 45 minutes. One short ad played a few times per show.

Limiting commercials kept people from going to unauthorized websites to watch pirated copies of shows. It also helped networks reach new audiences in college dorms and teenage bedrooms.

Now, as online audiences grow, networks see an opportunity to make more money.

A recent episode of Hawaii Five-O carried six and a half minutes of ads online. That's less than the 16 minutes on TV but double what an hour-long show carried on CBS.com a year ago.

Online video has improved in recent years with faster Internet connections and better technology.

The advances have led some people to give up on regular TV — and hefty cable bills that come with it — and watch only online.

The websites of ABC and NBC and some cable channels offer a range of recent episodes online, as does Hulu, a site owned by the parent companies of ABC, NBC and Fox.

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TV vs. Internet

- Networks still make far more money from TV than from the Internet, largely because online audiences are still comparatively small.
- On average, U.S. residents spent about 160 hours a month in front of the tube in early 2010 and only seven watching video on a computer or phone, according to data from Nielsen Co.
- According to online ad firm FreeWheel Media Inc., people watched nine billion online videos in the last three months of 2010, an increase of about 50 per cent from the previous quarter.

HOTDOG POLITICIAN GETS GRILLED

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1 Weinergate. After a failed coverup, married New York congressman Anthony Weiner finally admitted to sexting exchanges with six women, including a tweet photo sent to one of him in bulging underpants. He hasn't tweeted @RepWeiner in a week, playing it safe as "Weinergate" keeps getting bigger and bigger.

2 Green Men. The popularity — and brand — of these two super fans is growing during Vancouver's Stanley Cup run. "Green Men" merchandise at greenmengear.com, 163,000 fans on Facebook, 30,000 followers on Twitter @thegreenmen — who would have thunk lime green suits could be so cool.

"Lesson learned: Teen house parties pre-FB were much tamer. And, in retrospect, much preferable to parents."

3 Star Wars or Star Trek? A new paperback compendium called Star Wars vs. Star Trek: Could The Empire Kick The Federation's Ass? purports to quell the decades-long debate of which is better. Didn't know there was a debate: A lightsaber could deflect a beam from a phaser any day.

4 Bobcaygeon in Bobcaygeon. The Tragically Hip play Bobcaygeon, Ont., June 25 on a 175-acre waterfront site as part of Big Music Fest. Let's see: The Hip singing its hit Bobcaygeon in Bobcaygeon to thousands of fans drinking Canadian beer in cottage country. Yep, couldn't get much more Canadian than that, eh?

5 Tina Fey is Sarah Palin on Fox. Oops — during a segment on Sarah Palin, Fox News meant to use a pic of Palin but instead displayed one of Tina Fey doing an old SNL impersonation of Palin. Either this was a huge blunder or a prank from a Democrat graphics department intern gone wild on their last day.

6 Private Facebook party very public. A German teen forgot to set her Facebook "event" 16th birthday party to private. The invite went viral and 1,500 partygoers showed up outside her house. Lesson learned: Teen house parties pre-FB were much tamer. And, in retrospect, much preferable to parents.

7 Winnipeg. Retro Winnipeg Jets tees and merch are coming out of the woodwork across the country now that Winnipeg has an NHL franchise again. Now if only they would decide on a name ... gotta be the Jets again! And to go more retro, can we bring back the Quebec Nordiques?

8 Thriller jacket. The iconic red and black jacket MJ wore in his Thriller video is being auctioned off in a couple weeks at a gallery in Beverly Hills, Calif., and is expected to fetch about $200,000 US. Great piece of pop culture history. Metro readers, let's pool our money and put in our best bid.

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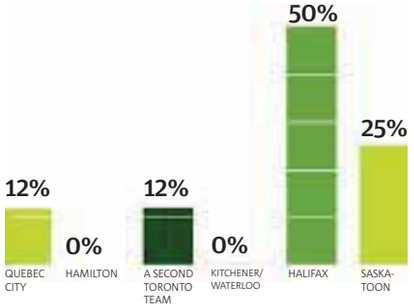
With Winnipeg getting an NHL team, which Canadian city should the NHL look at next?



Local tweets

- **@patrickdwhelan:** Barney's patio is delightful. #uwo
- **@kvdezigns:** Enjoyed the bus & walk into work this morning. — Truly Going Green: Giving up the car July 1st to Walk, Bike or Bus. #ldnont
- **@beaumontpete:** — it looks like the humidity is gone, but I am still having ice cream for breakfast #ldnont #humidex #itslikeaheatwave
- **@TammyLeeMarche:** Storybook gardens ... O is having a blast! #ldnont
- **@nevesmommy:** Need twitter advice. Neighbour has put up a pool. It is 3-4 ft deep. No fence. Worried about Neve. #ldnont
- **@AndrewSchiestel:** London Cares Curbside Food Drive starts tomorrow! Zone C you're up! #ldnont
- **@LucasBailey_:** Ticket to Rick McGhie at Steamwhistle confirmed and I just received my copy of #UWO Young Alumni magazine. I was and remain purple.
- **@MasterBinns:** Really wish I had paid attention in #CompSci1032 back in first year, my boss has me creating the most intense excel formula right now!! #uwo

Worth mentioning

NEW YORK. After pressure from four U.S. senators, Apple Inc. has said it will start rejecting iPhone applications that tip drivers off about police checkpoints for drunken driving.

Apple updated its app developer guidelines Wednesday to exclude such apps. On Thursday, some DUI apps were still available in the App Store, but Apple usually gives developers a chance to update their apps so they can conform to the new guidelines before booting them.

The apps often combine warnings about DUI checkpoints with warnings about speed traps and red-light cameras. Users of the applications help create the warnings by registering the locations.

An Apple spokesman had no comment on the change in the guidelines and wouldn't say why the change was made.

The four senators asked Apple, Research In Motion Ltd., the maker of the BlackBerry, and Google Inc. to remove DUI-avoidance apps in March.

RIM complied, but Google refused.

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Cartoon by Michael de Adder

WEIRD NEWS

The true definition of an inside job

A man was arrested in Spain after curling himself up inside a large suitcase that was placed in an airport bus cargo bay and sneaking out to steal from other people's luggage, police said Thursday.

The man arrested last week was five-foot-10 and very thin, a police official in the northeastern Catalonia region said. An accomplice was also arrested.

The accomplice would place the contortionist thief inside the cargo bay of a bus running from the airport in the city of Girona south to Barcelona, board the bus and then retrieve him at the end of the line.

During the 100-kilometre ride, the man would slip out of the suitcase and use a sharp object to pick locks or open zippers to get into other people's luggage, police said.

He stole objects including cellphones, laptops and GPS devices and would place them in a smaller bag he brought with him. The thief would then get back into the larger suitcase and when the bus reached its destination, the accomplice would retrieve both pieces of luggage.

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2 scene

Plot synopsis

- Welcome to the no-spoiler zone! Here's what we can tell you about Super 8: The action in this movie begins with six Lillian, Ohio kids shooting an amateur zombie movie. As their super 8 film rolls they witness a terrifying real-life train derailment. Soon strange things start happening in town as the army tries their best to contain the situation.
- **Ratings:**
  Richard: ⊕⊕⊕⊕
  Mark: ⊕⊕⊕½

▶ Super 8

Reel Guys

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Super 8 is super great

Richard Crouse and Mark Breslin agree there's a lot to like about Super 8
Director J.J. Abrams draws out the suspense, with Spielbergian flourishes

Richard Crouse: Mark, J.J. Abrams directs Super 8 the way he produced the TV show Lost. He draws out the suspense, doling out just enough detail, shocks and surprises to keep the story interesting and moving forward. He knows that the strength of the movie isn't the special effects or the whatever-it-is that is causing all the trouble, but the relationship between the kids. Call it Stand By Me with a giant bug... or a monster... or something. I'm not saying what!

Mark Breslin: All true, but you can feel Steven Spielberg's hand guiding the movie all the way along. The suburban flyover state setting, the gentle outsider child protagonists, the deceased parent, the bicycles, the alien who just wants to go home, all Spielberg motifs. And setting it in the early '80s, when Spielberg had his big sci-fi hits, surely was no coincidence.

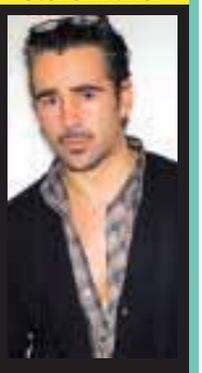
RC: Perhaps so, but despite the Spielbergian flourishes, this still very much feels like an Abrams creation to me. His fingerprints are all over the action sequences — particularly the out-of-control train wreck scene — and even the sweetness we've come to associate with Spielberg has been dialled back. It's still there — very much so in the film's last 10 minutes — but Abrams manages to set the tone as though he is paying homage to the saccharine tendencies of his mentor than actually aping him.

MB: That train wreck scene had me on the edge of my seat! But the rest of the picture did not exactly exude menace. It's more of a character piece about the young teens, and I thought the kids were great, certainly more interesting than the adults (which may be one of the points of the movie). I liked the picture, and my only real quibble was that the kids' filmmaking, which played such an important part in the beginning of the movie, is dropped midway through the flick. The scenes of those kids making movies were dripping with charm.

RC: I thought so too. Those scenes had a sense of fun to them and established the personalities of all the main kid characters. I think I liked this one more than you. I thought Super 8 was super great.

MB: Well, the middle was a bit soft and I'm always skeptical about courageous 14-year-olds. Still, there's a lot to like in this one.

Scene in brief



The MuchMusic Video Awards has announced a smoking addition to this year's lineup: Grammy-nominated rapper Snoop Dogg. Golden Globe-winning actor Colin Farrell has also been announced as a presenter, along with Kat Graham of Vampire Diaries and Cassie Scerbo of Make It or Break It.
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Movie reviews

See it twice ⊕⊕⊕⊕⊕ | See it now ⊕⊕⊕⊕ | Worth watching ⊕⊕⊕ | Yawn ⊕⊕ | Don't bother ⊕

Judy Moody And The Not A Bummer Summer
Genre: Family
Director: Jordana Beatty, Heather Graham, Parris Mosteller
⊕⊕
Yet another children's film filled with bright colours, slapstick comedy and performances broad enough for a Christmas pantomime. It's about a young girl who desperately wants to have an exciting summer, but ends up stuck with a strange aunt, a Bigfoot-obsessed brother and no friends. Somehow I've got a feeling that lessons of acceptance and secret excitement are just around the corner. It's all a bit grating, coated in a stink of desperation from filmmakers who are desperately trying to appeal to young audiences they don't understand. If your kids enjoy the book, then the film might be worth a look. Otherwise, stay as far away as possible.
PHIL BROWN

Cell 213
Genre: Horror
Director: Stephen Kay
Stars: Eric Balfour, Bruce Greenwood, Michael Rooker
⊕⊕⊕
Underrated actor Eric Balfour (Skyline) once again delivers a solid performance in this dark supernatural Canadian shocker and he's supported by a cast of equally reliable thesps like Bruce Greenwood and Michael Rooker. The movie itself isn't nearly as good as its talent, however, filled as it is with jittery post-SAW camera work and hammy plot contrivances. Balfour's hotshot lawyer gets sent upstate unjustly and is soon running afoul of creepy ghosts and creepier clichés (corrupt warden, brutish guard, hulking prison yard rapist). Worth watching for its lead though, and some truly stomach churning gore effects.
CHRIS ALEXANDER

Hollywood's Legendary Entertainment, China's Huayi Brothers strike co-production deal. Scan code for story.

Up close and personal with Mr. Popper's Penguins

James Tupper stars alongside aquatic actors in movie version of children's book But was more intimidated by Jim Carrey — at first

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James Tupper, the Nova Scotia-born star of Mr. Popper's Penguins, calls his co-stars "ornery."

No, he's not talking about Jim Carrey or Angela Lansbury. He's referring to the movie's aquatic, flightless actors.

"They kind of look like toddlers wearing a tuxedo with their chests sticking out in this really open, sweet way," he says. "But when you get close to them they will give you a nip."

To accommodate the birds, the film's set was kept below zero. "You could see your breath all day long," says Tupper.

As for working with the penguins, he says they're not great actors, but performing opposite the Antarctic imports was less strange than acting without them.

Computer-generated penguins were used for several scenes, which meant Tupper would have to emote to a mark on the wall.

"There would just be a dot on the wall and they would put the penguin in later. Sometimes the director would be back there saying, 'Oh! Oh! I'm going to bite you!' and act stuff out for you to react to but we all got this weird 'acting to the dot' effect."

Tupper, best known for his work on television shows like Men In Trees (where he co-starred with his fiancée Anne Heche) and Grey's Anatomy, says the penguins weren't the set's most intimidating presence. At first anyway.

"It was a little bit intimidating when I first met him," he says of Jim Carrey. "He slapped me on the back and was like, 'Jim or James?' I said, 'You know what. I think you've probably got Jim covered. I'm going to stick with James.'"

That intimidation soon gave way to a lively collaboration.

"He's really fun. It's a playful set. He improvises a lot and generally has the crew chuckling most of the day."

James, however, wasn't the only member of his family impressed with Carrey. His nine-year-old son is also a fan.

"When we read the book Mr. Popper's Penguins to him in bed, he got so excited when he found out Jim Carrey was in it.

He said, 'Can you please get Jim Carrey to sign it?' So I did. I took it to New York and he signed it and I brought it back and I said, 'Would you like me to sign it too?' No! Why! I said, 'Cut me a break. I'm in the movie.'"

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▶ James Tupper

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▶ X-Men: First Class tells the origin story of the famous Marvel super group.

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TV picks

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▶ Neil Patrick Harris

Harris to host Tony Awards

HE'S COME A LONG WAY SINCE DOOGIE HOWSER. This Sunday's Tony Awards are once again being hosted by Broadway vet and How I Met Your Mother star Neil Patrick Harris.

Invitation to a gypsy wedding

ROMA ROMANCE . Friday's episode of the surprise reality hit My Big Fat Gypsy Wedding follows two teenage girls preparing for their wedding day. Some say the UK-import offers a fascinating new look at a culture that's misunderstood, while others believe the show simply feeds into stereotypes. (TLC)

Blowing the cat lady out of the water

SHE GETS MY GOAT. Continuing on the esoteric reality theme on Friday night is Confessions: Animal Hoarding. A woman faces losing her house as the costs of tending to her herd of goats and pit bulls mount. (Animal Planet)

Aguilera plays aspiring singer

DANCE DIVAS. Burlesque the musical starring Christina Aguilera and Cher, premieres Saturday on TMN.

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Inspirational teacher made Glee star succeed

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▶ Morrison will be the opening act for the concert tour with the New Kids on the Block and Backstreet Boys, which kicks off its Canadian leg July 9 in Vancouver.

Matthew Morrison releases self-titled debut album, set to tour

Turns out Glee star Matthew Morrison had his own Mr. Schue.

The curly-haired performer, who plays ultra upbeat glee-club instructor Will Schuester on the hit musical TV series, credits one high school teacher with helping him get where he is today.

"I was kind of like (the character) Finn on Glee," said Morrison, who recently released his self-titled debut album and will tour Canada this summer with the New Kids on the Block and Backstreet Boys.

"I kind of rode the line between arts and athletics. I was a huge soccer player, and my junior year of high school I had to choose between playing soccer and being in the arts. And one teacher, especially, his name is Dr. Ralph Opacic, he said: 'I've been at this awhile and you have something really special and I think you just need to continue down this road.'

"And that was the talk that changed my life. He was totally my Mr. Schue."

"As an actor you can't get settled. I don't want to get settled into Glee."
MATTHEW MORRISON

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'Peg writer offers up witchy new novel

One of Susie Moloney's earlier books was commissioned by Tom Cruise's production company

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▶ Author Susie Moloney

Susie Moloney experienced the thrill of fright at a very young age.

"My mother was a huge horror fan," explains the Winnipeg author, whose latest horror-tinged novel, The Thirteen, hit stores this week. "She would get scared watching scary movies late at night and she'd come wake us up to keep her company."

Moloney and her brother obliged.

And although the author claims, with a laugh, to have slept with her head under the covers ever since, terror clearly titillates her.

"It's like anything else that gets the adrenalin going, you know? It's like falling in love, it's like having a damn fine laugh."

All of Moloney's books have delved into otherworldliness, from her chilling 1995 debut Bastion Falls (about an ominously relentless snowstorm), to 1997's supernatural drought story A Dry Spell and 2003's haunted house tale The Dwelling.

The Thirteen marks her first foray into the world of witches, a topic Moloney says she was drawn to after a stint when she was surrounded by women.

"I went through a long period of time in my life where my world became very feminine," says the author.

"The important people in my life were my girlfriends, my sister, my neighbours — all of whom were women — and I found such solace and power and love and warmth and acceptance from my girlfriends."

The witches in the book — mothers and homemakers — are afforded great domestic comfort in exchange for membership to their witchy sisterhood.

"I ... liked the idea of being a witch," explains Moloney, who has two sons.

"You have this image when you go into suburban living ... you imagine that your children are going to be perfect, brilliant, successful, talented, your house is going to be spotless and gorgeous...the reality sinks in that you cannot do this without witchcraft!"

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Hiatus finally finished: Come on over to Vegas

Shania to return to stage with two-year residency in Sin City

Shania Twain is ending her lengthy hiatus from performing with a two-year residency at Caesars Palace beginning in 2012, and she says she plans to seek advice from another Canadian diva who has found success in Las Vegas.

"I will call Celine (Dion) — somebody should warn her now," Twain joked during a news conference in Las Vegas on Wednesday.

"I think Celine will be very insightful and very helpful."

A Caesars Palace residency proved hugely successful for Dion, with a five-year stint at the Colosseum that ended in 2007 and a return engagement that began in March.

New music

- Twain, who hails from Timmins, hasn't released a new album since 2002's Up. But on Sunday, she will release the new single Today is Your Day — the first song she's written solo in six years.

Twain is likely banking that a Sin City stint will give a similar boost to her career, which has stalled in recent years as she recovered from the breakup of her marriage to hitmaking producer Robert (Mutt) Lange.

Wednesday's announcement is the latest step in a carefully orchestrated comeback for Twain, the notoriously private 45-year-old who in recent months has stepped back into the spotlight with a reality TV series, a revealing autobiography and now the announcement of her Vegas engagement.

Tickets, which range from $55 to $250, were set to go on sale Wednesday evening at the exact moment Twain took the stage at the CMT Awards.

Aside from the opportunity to perform for rapt audiences at a glitzy venue, stars have also flocked to Vegas because the residency format is an appealing alternative to the often-arduous process of touring, and would allow Twain to remain in one place with her nine-year-old son, Eja.

"I'm beyond excited," said a beaming Twain, who will perform 60 shows per year beginning Dec. 1, 2012.

"I feel like I'm on the top of the world. Honestly, I feel like I've climbed a very giant mountain and I'm just standing right on top with my arms open wide.

"This is really beautiful, really lovely, I'm very excited today."

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▶ Shania Twain, 45, has recently stepped back in the spotlight.

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Keren Ann: Her name is trouble

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Keren Ann's sixth album is a perfect primer to what the versatile singer/songwriter is all about.

The words are packed with tenderness, wit and a sinister sense of humour. The songs are coated in lush arrangements that range from cinematic ballads (You Were on Fire) to sexy disco (My Name is Trouble).

Born Keren Ann Zeidel, she has roots in Paris, New York City and Israel. Though this all feels like an introduction course on an artist who is hard to pin down, it is not why she titled her most recent album 101.

"Basically, I love this number," she says. "Aesthetically, it speaks to me. It has a very beautiful physical form. It's also the value of my initials, like how Hebrew letters have a value."

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▶ Keren Ann

Zeidel also cites 101 as the number to call an ambulance in Israel, something she did a number of times while working on these songs, as her father took ill during this time. The title track of the album is a countdown from 101 to one about that experience.

"Most of the images that came to me were basically in the last hours to my father's death," she says.

"He died in my arms, but it's not an album of grief, it's an album of love. I think the closer we got to his death, the closer we got to God."

Blood on her hands

There's something wickedly funny about the singer in a sweet bob hairdo holding a gun, gently cooing about killing everybody in her audience on the song Blood on My Hands.

"I think my strong point will always be melancholy in songwriting," says Zeidel.

"But at the same time, I think that I do have in my personality a lot of dark humour in my observation of life, and sometimes I do find myself in certain situations where I like to disconnect completely. Blood on My Hands was one of these moments."

Kings paying tribute to Queens

Blackie & the Rodeo Kings get guests Emmylou Harris, Lucinda Williams on new CD

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▶ Members of the band Blackie and the Rodeo Kings, from left, Stephen Fearing, Colin Linden and Tom Wilson.

Surprise on tour?

The band says it's altogether possible that some of their guests from their new album could hop onstage with the group while on tour. They also raised the possibility that some female vocalists who weren't on the album might also be up for a duet.

Back in 1996, Tom Wilson recorded what he figured was a one-off project with Colin Linden and Stephen Fearing under the band name Blackie and the Rodeo Kings.

Wilson didn't think about it much. The group had been assembled to pay tribute to the late Canadian folk troubadour Willie P. Bennett, so it was a lark, a fun diversion. Wilson didn't even wait until the album was finished to leave and embark on his next project.

"We thought we were recording a record and that was it," Wilson said in a recent interview at a stylish Italian restaurant in Toronto.

"I said, 'It was great to meet you, Stephen.' Colin, I've known since our teens but never worked with him. I shook hands, and that was it. 'OK, good. Next' — that was what I thought.

"I was wrong."

Yes, 15 years later and Blackie and the Rodeo Kings are still riding along together, now set to issue another new album, Kings and Queens — the culmination of three years work and the group's first set of all-new material since the sessions that produced 2006's Juno-winning Let's Frolic and the '07 follow-up Let's Frolic Again.

The concept behind the new album was essentially to pair the roots-rock group's three unique voices with an all-star roster of female singers, including Lucinda Williams, Emmylou Harris, Exene Cervenka and Roseanne Cash. Linden jetted around North America — to Nashville, New Orleans, New York, Los Angeles and even Woodstock, N.Y. — with his computer to record the Queens.

And the trio now has glowing praise for each of the women featured on the album.

Sara Watkins was "really great." Serena Ryder, who sang on driving closer Black Sheep, was a "real powerhouse." And Cervenka? Well, Wilson was so enthusiastic about her performance he could only sum it up with an unprintable obscenity.

Mostly, though, the band raved about how their own vocals improved because of the presence of their 14 guests.

"We sang better," Wilson said.

"The same way that we're better men — better people — for the women that have surrounded our lives either on a long-term basis or a short-term basis, the same thing happened musically.

"We're better singers, better people."

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SOUND CHECK

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All throughout history, an established technology never had a chance if something more convenient came along. Just look at what we've seen with music over the last 140 years or so.

Cylinders vs. Rotating Discs
Thomas Edison's phonograph with its rotating wax or metal cylinders established that sound could be captured.

But then Emile Berliner showed that rotating flat discs played on his gramophone were far superior. Why? Better sound and because discs had a B-side — twice as much music for the same price.

Edison had no choice but to move from cylinder to disc.

Phonographs vs. Gramophones
The phonograph tracked grooves in the record by going up and down.

The gramophone's needle went from side-to-side.

This meant that phonograph records couldn't be played on gramophones and vice-versa, forcing consumers to take sides.

While it's true that Edison's machine delivered slightly better sound, the up-and-down motion of the steel needle wore out the record more quickly.

Undeterred by this minor issue, Edison stuck to his guns and refused to make any changes to his machine.

Ultimately, though, the gramophone won out and Edison stopped making phonographs and records entirely by about 1930.

78s vs. LPs
By the 1930s, the standard rotation rate for discs was 78 RPM, which meant that each record could store only about four minutes per side. Columbia Records changed that in 1948 with the introduction of the vinyl 33 ⅓ RPM LP (Long-Playing), a format that could store up to 22 minutes per side. From that moment, the 78 was doomed.

LPs vs. 45s
Although Columbia offered to license their new technology to rival RCA, they would have none of it. Instead, they countered with the vinyl 45 RPM 7-inch single in 1949. RCA contended that four or five minutes of music per side was all consumers really wanted. But if they did want more, they could simply stack 45s for continuous play on the large spindle of the brand new automatic RCA-manufactured record changer. (This is why the hole at the centre of a 45 is so big; the larger diameter was necessary to let the record slide down the spindle without prematurely fraying the area around hole.)

Next week
The Streaming Wars.

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Nerds rule the world

Arcade Fire won Album of the Year Jonathan Franzen is a literary star
And you're probably reading this right before going online
Culturally, the geeks are in charge. Is a backlash coming?

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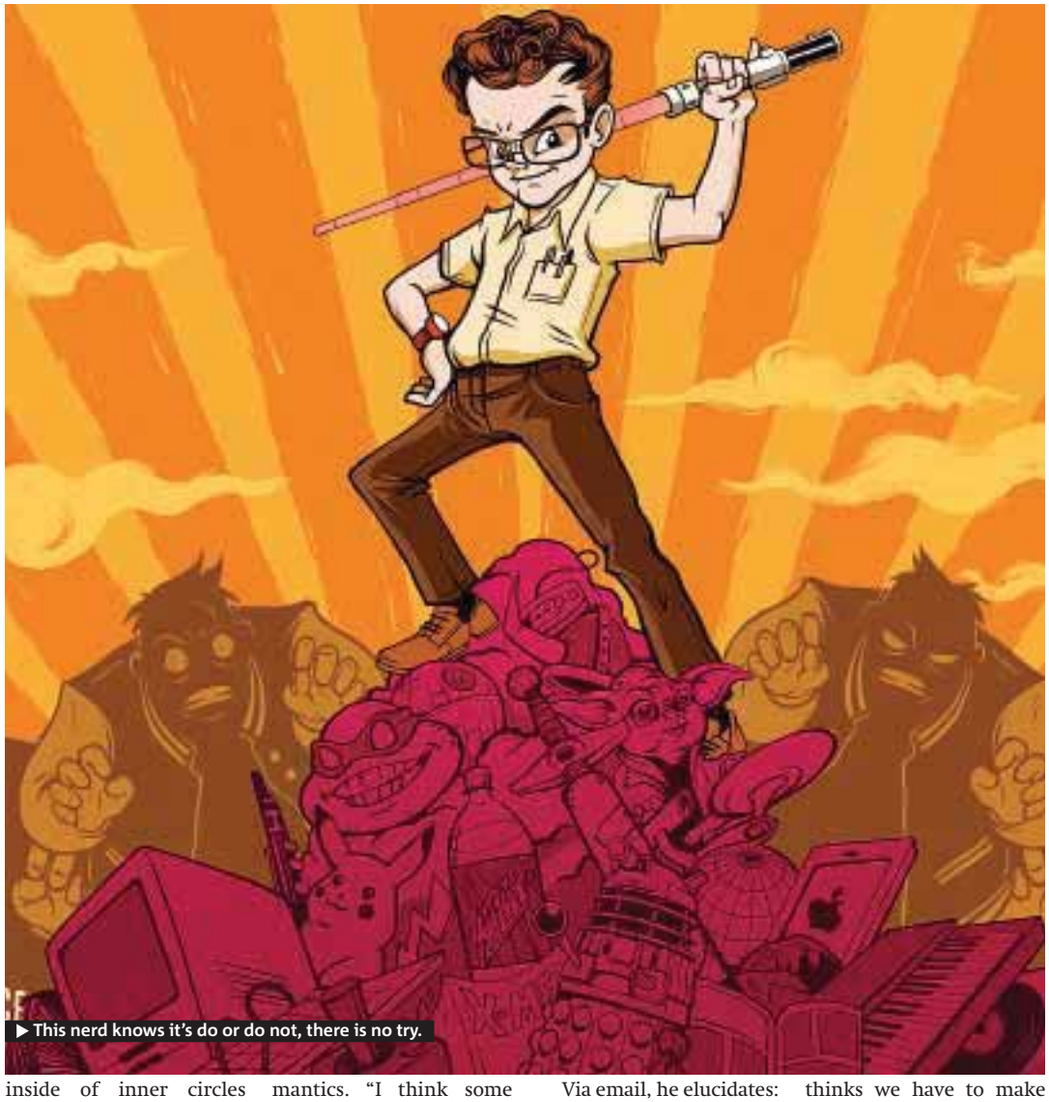

▶ This nerd knows it's do or do not, there is no try.

When Revenge of the Nerds was released in 1984, many found the movie hilarious (or idiotic, or trite) but no one labelled the film prescient.

Yet, almost 30 years later, there's an overriding sense that the Poindexters and Boogers of the world have beaten the Stans and Ogres. Have the nerds won the war?

If you're reading this article right now, there's a nearly 100 per cent chance that you own something at least partially designed by Steve Jobs or Bill Gates. Mark Zuckerberg has unseated He-Man to become the de facto Master of the Universe. Twitter and its 140 character limit affect the way we think, and kids write.

The reigning geekdom, though, isn't just about computers and what has been born out of the digital battles of the '70s and '80s and post-dotcom-burst. Dorks are everywhere. A sign of a cultural paradigm shift may have occurred this past August.

When a bespectacled Jonathan Franzen graced the cover of Time magazine, literary circles were scrambling to denounce or anoint the wordsmith. But the larger issue wasn't the relative worth of his book Freedom; it was the simple fact that he had broken into the mainstream.

Not only was the erudite soul part of the popular consciousness, he was positioned as such for following the nerdiest maxim of conflict avoidance and most motherly advice ever: He used his words.

The ante was upped in February when Arcade Fire took home the Album of the Year Grammy. Propelled to fame largely by music blogs and websites — Pitchfork famously hyped its first album, Funeral — the Canadian outsiders found themselves inside of inner circles Dante couldn't have dreamed up.

Look around you: The highest grossing film of all time is about blue aliens and was exhibited largely in 3-D. Spiderman is on Broadway. Justin Timberlake wears glasses. The cool kid table at the cafeteria is populated by nerds or, at the very least, by people who the nerds deem cool.

Morgan Webb — who co-hosts television's most watched video game show, X-Play, on G4 — believes that the term "nerd" might come down to semantics. "I think some people are insulted but I embrace it," she says when reached by telephone in Los Angeles.

"What it really means is you're not embarrassed that you like Star Wars. You're allowed to be proud of it." She quips, "I'm just a nerd with a good coat of polish."

But, if squares are hip, then does the term "nerd" still carry any weight? Nathan Rabin, the head writer for The Onion's A.V. Club, takes it a step further, writing, "Weird is the new normal; normal is the new weird."

Via email, he elucidates: "As I wrote in the piece, geek culture has been mainstreamed to the point where there doesn't seem to be any real difference between the two."

Actor/comedian Patton Oswalt put forth a similar theme in his widely-read article for Wired entitled, Wake Up, Geek Culture. Time to Die, where he explains that nerd culture began its assimilation into accepted normalcy as early as 1987, and has become basically unidentifiable since the rise of the Internet. The way he sees it flips certain logic: Oswalt thinks we have to make pop culture suck for the nerds to rise again. Terrible comic book movies like Priest will make that dream come true. But the definitive wedgie might come from the planned production of Revenge of the Jocks, which is to be helmed by Jackass director Jeff Tremaine.

The Hollywood Reporter outlines the premise: "Three men, once popular high school jocks with their glory days behind them, find themselves forced to adapt to a world run by the geek and nerd crowd."

Then and now

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Arnold and Sly: In the '80s, the big action stars had big muscles, while nerds had big pocket protectors.

NOW

The action stars are fey (Johnny Depp in Pirates), snarky (Iron Man's Robert Downey) or downright nerdy (Shia LeBeouf in Transformers).

THEN

Comic book movies were a joke. Unless you are one of the three people who adored Howard the Duck.

NOW

All comics, all the time — so much so that a movie like Priest can come out and bore even comic book fans.

THEN

Michael Jackson was quirky artist, but took himself too seriously to qualify as a dork.

NOW

Justin Timberlake brings sexy back, but calls himself a "geek" and wears the glasses to prove it.

THEN

The NO. 1 comedy during the 90s: Friends, starring well-groomed, successful, urban, witty twentysomethings.

NOW

The Big Bang Theory is a massive success, while Friends clones get cancelled every season.

Arnold willing to beg to get Shriver back

Schwarzenegger telling friends he'll do anything to get Maria back

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Arnold Schwarzenegger

Despite the shocking disclosure that he fathered a child with their housekeeper and kept it secret for 13 years, Arnold Schwarzenegger is reportedly still hoping he and Maria Shriver can patch things up and avoid divorce, according to Popeater.

"He knows he has made terrible mistakes in his past but isn't prepared to lose the greatest woman in his life," a source close to the former California governor says. "This has nothing to do with money or the children. He misses her terribly and will do whatever it takes to win her back. Even begging."

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Schwarzenegger and Shriver have even reportedly been in regular contact since the separation, and the source adds that Schwarzenegger is hoping Shriver will realize that "despite all the affairs, what they had was real."

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Talking points

This Catwoman has claws

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Anne Hathaway obviously doesn't find action work daunting, as a stuntman on the Dark Knight Rises learned when the actress — who is playing Catwoman in the film — accidentally gave him a black eye, according to the Sun.

"Anne got a bit carried away during a fight scene and mistakenly shoved the butt of the gun right into the actor's eye socket," a source says. "He came away with a massive black eye — Anne was mortified."

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Celebrity tweets

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"Happy Bday 2 my lil princess... Can't believe it's been 3 yrs already! On the other hand I can't imagine my life b4 her! "

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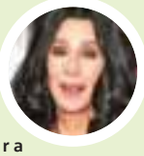
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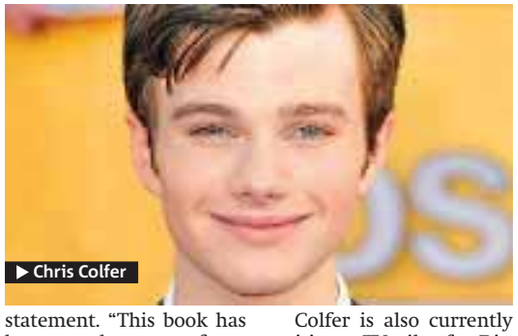
Ok don't know quite how my tweets r a challenge??? But Challenges rock! 'U want some cheese with that whine' U babies ?

Taking advantage of fame


Chris Colfer

At 21-years-old, Chris Colfer is already an award-winning actor for his work on Glee, but what he really wants to do is write.

Colfer recently signed a two-book deal with Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, according to the Hollywood Reporter, with the first title, the Land of Stories, set to be released next summer.

"When I was 10 years old, I promised myself that if I ever had the opportunity to write this book, I would jump at the chance," Colfer said in a statement. "This book has been at the core of my imagination for a long time and I'm excited and nervous to share it."

Colfer is also currently writing a TV pilot for Disney and an independent feature film.

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Clooney not keen on marriage

While George Clooney may have made it pretty clear he's happy to avoid getting married ever again, his girlfriend, Elisabetta Canalis, is singing a different tune. "I am a firm believer in marriage, in the future I will be married, but for the time being I am happy as I am," she tells Italian magazine Chi.

"They all say that I spend my time organizing parties and that my boyfriend does not want to marry me and be with me anymore. My boyfriend has not given an interview on his private life since 1999 — everything that you read is just a rehash of stuff that has been written in the past."

"I am a firm believer in marriage."
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George Clooney

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Have a field day with strawberries

After a long winter, it's almost time for growers to start picking everyone's favourite summer fruit • Use strawberries in unique recipes

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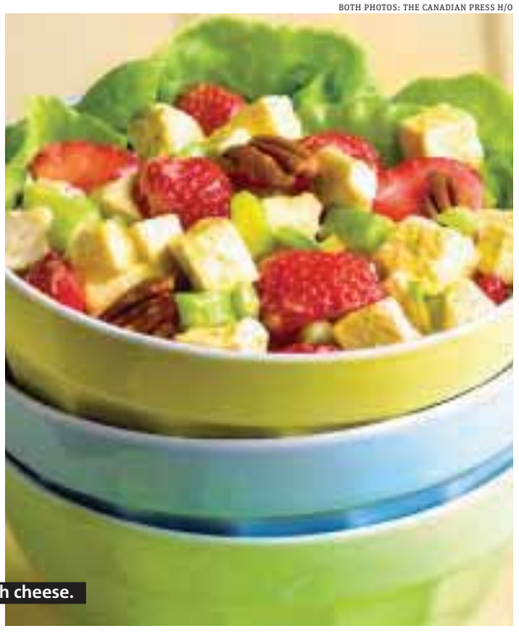

▶ Strawberries can be employed in salads and also pair well with cheese.

Bright red and luscious, fresh locally grown strawberries are a treat that Canadians eagerly anticipate after a long winter.

And the wait won't be much longer. Pickers are poised to harvest the juicy morsels.

Cold, wet weather in many parts of the country has delayed the crop, but in Ontario and British Columbia, anxious growers will soon be getting their fruit to the stores and farmers markets.

"A lot of the growers would be really a lot happier if it was warmer and drier, sunnier," said Sharmin Gamiet of the Fraser Valley Strawberry Growers Association. "But the great thing about strawberries is they do catch up."

Strawberry-Topped Brie

This colourful warm cheese makes a great party dish served with thin slices of baguette.

To warm in a microwave oven, place in microwaveable dish. Cook, uncovered, at medium-high (70 per cent) power for 2 minutes or until slightly softened. Let stand for 5 minutes.

Preparation:

1. With a sharp knife, remove the top rind from the brie cheese.
2. Place the cheese in an ovenproof dish that is just slightly bigger than the cheese. If you are using the liqueur, pour it over top. Sprinkle everything with brown sugar.
3. Arrange the strawberries, stem side down, on the cheese to cover top. Drizzle everything with maple syrup and sprinkle with nuts.
4. Place the dish on the unlit side of barbecue on medium heat.
5. Close the lid of the barbecue and grill for about 15 minutes or until the cheese is soft and starts to ooze over the edge.

Ingredients:

- 500 g (1 lb) round of brie
- 10 ml (2 tsp) Amaretto or Frangelico liqueur (optional)
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) packed brown sugar
- 250 ml (1 cup) strawberries (preferably small), hulled
- 25 ml (2 tbsp) maple syrup
- 25 ml (2 tbsp) sliced almonds or filberts

Curried Chicken & Strawberry Salad

This is the perfect use for leftover chicken.

The strawberries come through as a refreshing accent in the salad. Since curry powders differ in strength and heat, taste after adding half the amount to get just a hint of curry.

If you don't have cooked chicken on hand, 4 boneless skinless chicken breasts, grilled or poached, will give you the amount you need.

Preparation:

1. In a small bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, sour cream, lime rind, lime juice, honey, curry powder, salt and pepper.
2. In a bowl, stir together chicken, celery and onions; pour dressing over top and toss lightly to mix. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ FOODLAND ONTARIO**

Ingredients:

- 125 ml (1/2 cup) light mayonnaise
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) low-fat sour cream
- 5 ml (1 tsp) grated lime rind
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) lime juice
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) liquid honey
- 10 ml (2 tsp) curry powder or paste (approx)
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 l (4 cups) diced cooked chicken
- 250 ml (1 cup) diced celery
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) sliced green onions
- 500 ml (2 cups) strawberries, hulled and halved
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) pecan halves, toasted, divided
- Lettuce leaves

Health check

Keeping our immune systems strong and healthy can be difficult, despite our best efforts to meet daily nutrition requirements.

Diana Steele, registered dietitian, says some fruit more than others give the body an excellent source of immune–boosting nutrients.

Kiwifruit, strawberries, blueberries and papaya are not only famous for their delicious taste, but rich vitamin content as well. **NEWS CANADA**

Celebrate summer and strawberry season with an elegant dessert, made with layers of strawberries.

Revisiting a classic taste

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How many wines are there in the world? I get asked that question all the time. The funny thing is, I don't really know.

If you take a stab at counting grape varieties (the realistic estimate is somewhere around 10,000) and multiply by worldwide wineries and all their individual brands and available vintages, you're easily talking millions.

That's why when you write about wine it's easy to get caught up in what's new and shiny and forget about the established juice that's been on the shelf for awhile.

I thought about that when I recently tried the stalwart Wolf Blass Eagle Hawk Shiraz ($13.00 - $13.99).

I was at a local resto, which had a limited wine list and took the waiter's suggestion of the 2009 vintage when I asked for his best all-purpose red.

I do love how my preconceived notions of a wine can get the better of me and really got into how its dry-blackberry-meets-sweet-blueberry fruit and lingering trail of inky, black licorice spice tasted so ...hip.

It's a perfect back deck red that would match with a nice piece of grilled beef as well as it would barbecued hamburgers or some lightly spicy sausages.

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Pan Seared Beef Bavette

—Bistros are well known for serving up fancy foods at affordable prices.

Bring the bistro home with this pan-seared steak featuring bottom sirloin. It tastes like a million bucks but won't break the bank.

Pan searing is a technique that's perfect for last-minute entertaining, requiring little effort and time to prepare and cook.

Preparation:

1. Season the steaks all over with five spice powder, salt and pepper.
2. In a large stainless-steel or cast-iron skillet, heat the butter and oil over medium-high heat.
3. Add the steaks. Sear and cook the meat until it is golden brown and medium-rare, 3 to 6 minutes per side.
4. Return the skillet to medium-high heat. Add the broth, maple syrup and chili-garlic sauce; bring it to a boil, scraping up any browned bits from the bottom of pan.
5. Meanwhile, in a small bowl or cup, mix cornstarch with 10 ml (2 tsp) water; whisk into sauce and cook until thickened, about 2 minutes. Stir in green onions. Serve drizzled over steaks.

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Ingredients:

- 750 g (1 1/2 lb) beef bottom sirloin steaks
- 3 ml (3/4 tsp) Chinese five spice powder
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 10 ml (2 tsp) each butter and vegetable oil
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) sodium-reduced chicken broth
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) maple syrup
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) Asian chili-garlic sauce
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cornstarch
- 2 green onions, thinly sliced

Forget the side dish!

Skip the fatty carbs ◗ This Summer Salad and Pan Seared Beef Bavette make a filling meal on their own

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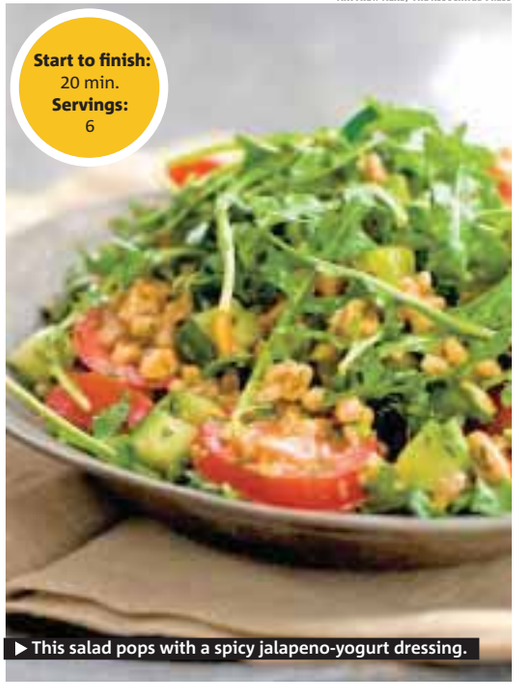

▶ This salad pops with a spicy jalapeno-yogurt dressing.

For Michael Symon, great salads go far beyond a pile of greens.

"It should be something that really highlights the season and the vegetables that are at their peak at that time," Symon, an award-winning restaurateur and Food Network Iron Chef, said.

Symon — who also favours sharply acidic dressings — relies on salads to play a specific role in his cooking.

"Since I tend to cook with a lot of fattier proteins, I like to serve them topped with or accompanied by a salad, as opposed to a heavier starch," he said. "It keeps things crisp and fresh."

Symon offers this simple summer salad inspired by what grows in his home garden and dressed with a spicy jalapeno-yogurt blend.

"I know I'm going to be grilling a lot, so I want to create a salad that goes great with a big piece of grilled meat," he said.

Preparation:

1. Dressing: In bowl, combine garlic, jalapeno, yogurt and vinegar. Whisk in olive oil, stir in mint and parsley. Set aside.
2. In large bowl, combine arugula, tomatoes, cucumber, scallions, almonds and faro. Drizzle with dressing, toss.

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Ingredients:

Dressing

- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 jalapeno pepper, minced (remove seeds first for less heat)
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) plain Greek-style yogurt
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) red wine vinegar
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) extra-virgin olive oil
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) chopped fresh mint
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley

Salad

- 500 ml (2 cups) arugula
- 500 g (1 lb) assorted heirloom tomatoes, sliced into 5-mm (1/4-inch) rounds
- 250 ml (1 cup) diced cucumber
- 4 scallions, grilled and cut into 2.5-cm (1-inch) pieces
- 250 ml (1 cup) marcona almonds, roughly chopped
- 500 ml (2 cups) cooked faro (a grain sold alongside the rice and couscous)

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NBA. Finals

▶ Miami's LeBron James goes up for a dunk early in Game 5 of the NBA finals on Thursday.

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Mavericks lose backup centre for Game 5

Dallas Mavericks backup centre Brendan Haywood was inactive for Game 5 of the NBA Finals because of a hip injury that's bothered him much of the series.
Haywood was injured late in Game 2 against the Miami Heat. He missed Game 3, then tried to play in Game 4, lasting only 3 minutes.
With two days off before Game 6 in Miami, there's still a chance Haywood could return.
Without him, Ian Mahinmi becomes the primary backup to starter Tyson Chandler.

Quoted

"We have not had any conversations or communications with Mr. Balsillie or any of his people regarding the potential acquisition of an NHL club."

NHL VICE-PRESIDENT BILL DALY IN AN EMAIL SENT THURSDAY. FORBES MAGAZINE REPORTED THAT JIM BALSILLIE HAS RECEIVED ASSURANCES FROM THE LEAGUE THAT HE WILL GET A TEAM IF HE AVOIDS 'SPECTACLES OR BAD PUBLICITY.'

Gut-check time for Canucks

Vancouver needs top players to return to form as Stanley Cup final shifts back to West Coast

The only thing even about the Stanley Cup final is the fact the Vancouver Canucks and Boston Bruins have each won two games.

The matter in which the Bruins surged back into this series with a pair of blowout victories on home ice was markedly different than the way Vancouver established an early 2-0 lead. It's created an interesting dynamic with the final shifting back to Rogers Arena for Game 5 on Friday and a few more twists and turns expected on this emotional roller-coaster.

BRUINS CANUCKS

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The Canucks were the NHL's best team from October to May and need two wins in three games to remain on top in June.

Despite being outscored 12-1 at TD Garden in Games 3 and 4, opportunity is still knocking for a Vancouver team trying to bring the Stanley Cup back to Canada.

"You know, if somebody would have told me at the beginning of the year that we could play for the Stanley Cup, best two-out-of-three series with home ice advantage in front of our fans, I would have taken that anytime to play for the big prize," said Canucks coach Alain Vigneault. "That's what we've got right now."

It's gut-check time for the team's best players. Henrik Sedin, Daniel Sedin and Ryan Kesler — each among the NHL's top-six playoff scorers — have been stymied by Bruins goalie Tim Thomas, who has turned in a Conn Smythe-worthy performance by allowing just five goals in four games.

Then there's Luongo, a lightning-rod for criticism who could be facing a defining moment in his career. Fans watching Game 4 on the scoreboard at Rogers Arena cheered when backup Cory Schneider replaced him during the third period.

If Vigneault goes back to his No. 1 man in Game 5, can he handle the heat?

"If anybody's going to be determined to have a great game, it's going to be him," Schneider said of Luongo.

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Pryor shoots down Riders

Terrelle Pryor isn't interested in playing in the CFL. He's also not interested in speaking to the NCAA.

The former Ohio State quarterback announced he would not return to Ohio State for his senior season in the wake of an NCAA suspension and ongoing investigation involving improper benefits. The Saskatchewan Roughriders had extended him a tentative offer.

"They sent the package last night, I forwarded it to Terrelle and Terrelle said that he wasn't interested today," Pryor's attorney, Larry James, said Thursday.

James also said that Pryor will no longer co-operate with NCAA investigators.

Asked if Pryor gave him a reason for his lack of interest in the Roughriders, James said, "He just said he's not interested in the Canadian Football League. Obviously the offer was not sufficient to whet his taste buds." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Leafs bring back Reimer

The Toronto Maple Leafs are ready to run with James Reimer.

The 23-year-old goaltender capped off a dream season by signing a $5.4-million US, three-year contract extension Thursday. Reimer led the team on a surprising second half turnaround after getting called up from the AHL.

"He earned the opportunity to play at the NHL level this past season and he made the most of it with his outstanding play," Maple Leafs general manager Brian Burke said in a statement.

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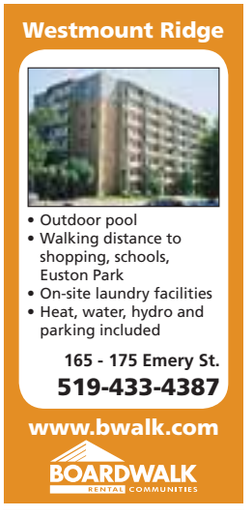

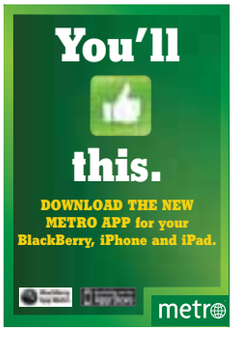

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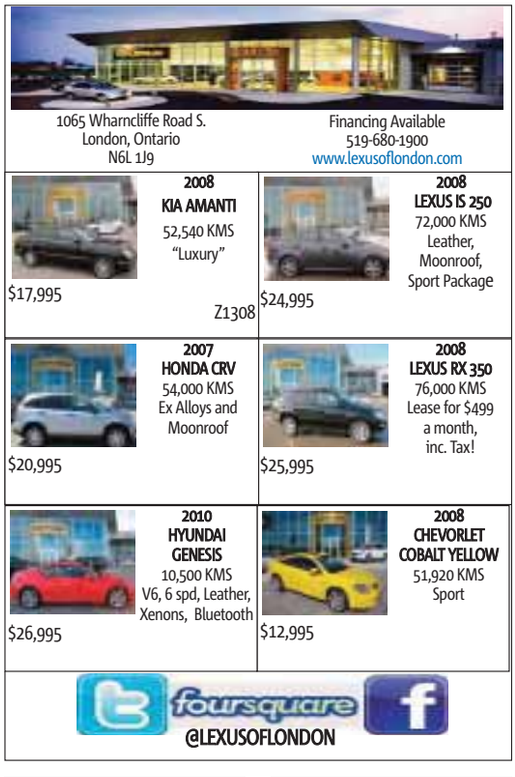

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"The new showroom is the next step in our growth as a company," says partner, Dennis Berrisford. "We have opened up a great space that will allow our customers to explore new trends and get a better look at some of the products we offer. We look forward to expanding our business while keeping the same focus on customer satisfaction and quality."

At over 4,000 square feet, the D&S showroom features a wide selection of the latest fixtures and styles from brands including Moen, Delta, American Standard, Riobel, Grohe, Kohler, Mirolin, Maax, Kindred, Blanco, Elkay, Contrac, and Foremost. It also has a working shower display and bathroom vignettes, as well as a functional kitchen display and prep faucet display.

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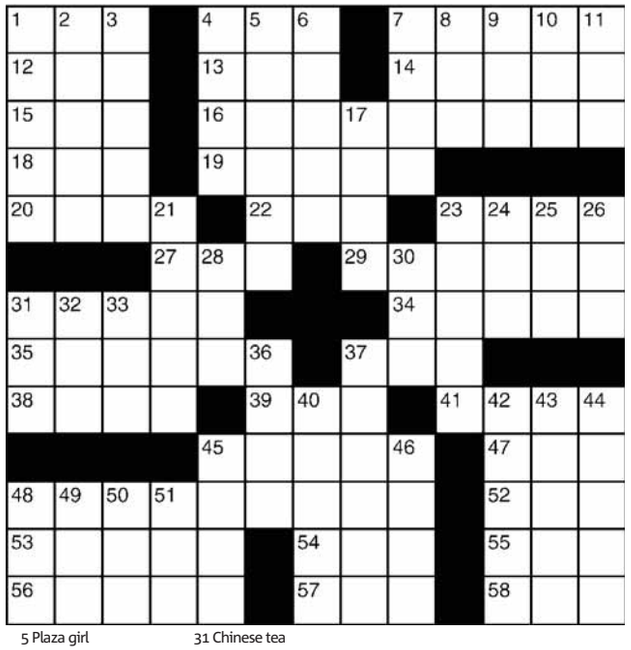

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▶ Yesterday's answer

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♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 It may seem things aren't going your way. Hang in there and expect your luck to change soon — it will.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 If you give in too easily your enemies will take it as a sign of weakness.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 It may seem as if partners and work colleagues have got it in for you or is it you who is overreacting?

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 If you accept each and every social invitation that comes your way, you will quickly exhaust yourself.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Don't take what others tell you too seriously today. You don't need flattery, you need the truth.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 If you are bored with your social scene then do something about it.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You cannot see the whole picture concerning a money matter, so don't make a snap decision about it.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Let someone you care for know how much they mean to you.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Don't worry if a rival pulls ahead of you. Underhanded methods will come back to haunt him or her.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 There is so much you can accomplish over the next few days but you won't get far on your own.

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